

Washington State 4-H Youth Development Program
**Selection Criteria for Delegates
To National Events**

Events Include: National 4-H Conference
National 4-H Congress
National 4-H Technology Conference
Western National 4-H Round-Up (*Livestock Judging*)
Eastern National 4-H Round-Up (*Horse Judging Team, Equine Public Presentations, Hippology, Horse Bowl, Dairy Quiz Bowl*)
World Dairy Expo (*Dairy Cattle Judging and Dairy Conference*)

Application Materials to Submit:

- Completed application form
- Letter of recommendation from a recent chaperone **and** any two of the following: non-custodial 4-H volunteer or parent, teacher, school advisor or club leader
- Resume that outlines:
 - 4-H leadership experience (club, district, state level)
 - Community involvement

Once application materials are received, an interview will be scheduled.

Selection Criteria: *(see requirements for National Conference delegates on next page.)

- People skills as seen through interview, letters of recommendation, presentation/portfolio
 - Articulate and confident communicator
 - Ability to describe 4-H programming clearly and articulately
 - Ability and willingness to lead
 - Ability and willingness to work as part of a team
 - A self-starter
- Minimum 20 hours of Community service (hours or project involvement)
- Minimum 2 years 4-H involvement
- 10th grade or above
- Minimum 2 years in club/council leadership roles
- Attended a minimum of one district AND one state event prior to National Event



***Requirements for National 4-H Conference delegates:**

1. Knowledge of Washington State programs and organizational structure as well as the relationship between 4-H and the federal government
2. Attendance at Washington State Know Your Government Conference for at least one year with an understanding of basic civics
3. Minimum two (2) years in a leadership project
4. Sponsorship by a county or state 4-H leadership board or council. If selected to attend National 4-H Conference, you will have a commitment to this sponsoring board/council to bring back the information and training you have received and utilize it within the context of that board's service. Specific guidelines will be determined jointly between you and the board prior to attendance at National 4-H Conference. The sponsoring entity will need to submit the form below.

Sponsorship for Washington State 4-H Teen to attend National 4-H Conference

Name of teen applicant: _____

Sponsoring leadership board: _____

Contact person: _____ Email: _____

1. What have been the responsibilities, dates of service, and contribution by this youth, to this leadership board?

2. What is your recommendation and why, for this teen to attend National 4-H Conference?

3. National 4-H Conference is an advanced leadership opportunity for 4-H youth. It is expected that any youth attending this event will bring back a 'promise of enrichment' to our Washington State 4-H Program. This would involve sharing information and skills learned to promote and develop an aspect of 4-H locally. As the sponsoring leadership board this 'promise of enrichment' could fall within your goals. The teen would be accountable to you to complete this requirement. What might you envision their project to be?

4. Would you be providing financial support and how much, for this teen to attend National 4-H conference?

Signature of Leadership Board Representative

Date